

# THE BELLOWS

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WHAT	NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF PSPCS..... <u>NOTE THE CHANGE OF DAY..THIS MONTH ONLY!!</u>
WHERE	DES MOINES MASONIC TEMPLE 2208rd S. 223rd ST. (Take midway exit #149 west off I-5..to to first stop light west of Pacific HWY. S...Turn right.)
WHEN	April 20th, 1994 ( <u>THIS IS A WEDNESDAY</u> )...7:30 Till 10:00 pm
WHY	Short meeting..show report..swap & sell..Door Prizes..Show & Tell..Auction. Don Tempel, and <u>others</u> , will present Show and Tell program on early Blair cameras from their collections. Should be a most interesting program.

## WHY DID YOU MAIL MY BELLOWS EARLY?:

The Bellows was mailed early this month so those of you living in the Puget Sound area could receive your coupon for the PHOTOMEDIA EXPO '94 which is on April 15,16 and 17 at Seattle Center. For information call Jennifer Munnell at 1-800-473-5814.

## PORTLAND CLUB SENDS AN INVITATION:

PSPCS members are invited to the April 27th meeting of the Cascade Photographic Society of Portland which will feature Mike Kessler speaking on, "When Cameras Had Wings". Hear the Story of Simon Wing, Daguerreotypist turned camera manufacturer, who revolutionized the methods of American camera manufacturing and merchandising from the 1870s to the turn of the century.

Mr. Kessler is a long-time collector and historian. He has an outstanding collection of early American cameras (including prized Wing memorabilia) and a superb collection of stanhopes. Mike is an expert in camera restoration and is editor of The Photographer, the quarterly journal of the Western Photographic Collectors Association. His talk will make use of a recently expanded slide presentation.

CPHS meets at Wilson High School, 1151 SW Vermont, Room 118 at 7:30 p.m. Directions from Seattle-Tacoma: Down I-5 to Exit 296B (Multnomah Blvd.). Turn right at first light onto 31st St., then at first stop sign turn right onto Capitol Highway. At next light turn right onto Vermont. Continue straight on Vermont to Wilson H.S. Note: Exit 297, Terwilliger Blvd., is closed. Portland Contact is PSPCS AND CPHS member Ralph London, (503)-292-9714.

## HERE COMES OUR FOURTEENTH SALE, SWAP & SHOW:

After our meeting on Wednesday the 20th there are only ten days until Saturday April 30th and our BIG "Kent" show. It is time to save up your money..clean up those sellers and trader cameras..PASS OUT FLYERS and get ready for the biggest camera show in the Northwest. Rember, PSPCS members this is YOUR show! We have the sellers..now we need those eager buyers. Please spread the word!!

REMEMBER: APRIL MEETING IS ON WEDNESDAY THE 20th THIS MONTH ONLY!!!

PRESIDENT: DAVE STUDEBAKER, (206)-582-4878

**\*\*BACKSIDE INFORMATION\*\***

**PSPCS REGULAR MEETING MARCH 17th, 1994:**

Meeting came to order at 7:30 p.m. 47 members and 5 guests were in attendance. Minutes and treasurer's report approved as read.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Discussion held on Portland show. Bill Adams reported that he liked the show but didn't feel there was as broad a range of items as in the past. Many members had O.K. sales.

Dave Studebaker reported Century of Cameras and Collecting and Using Classic Cameras will be in for April meeting. There is no news on when Russian and Soviet Cameras will arrive but they have been ordered.

April Show committee members report all is well, time to hand out flyers, Bellows will be early in April so that half price tickets to Seattle PhotoNetwork three day program at Seattle Center April 15-17 can be included.

Next program, in April, will be Don Temple and others doing program type show and tell on Blair cameras.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Jim Villett made a motion that members rotate with programs by picking a number from "hat"...one show a year at most..(Jim said he is running out of ideas/people for programs.) After much discussion, motion failed.

Dave Studebaker had list sent around for sign up by those willing to present a program in the future. Don Temple said he would do program next October.

Bob Peters made a motion, seconded, that Jim Villett look into trying to get one "high powered" person per year that would most likely get paid some amount. Motion passed.

**SHOW & TELL--AUCTION:**

There were nice show and tell items and stories. Jim Villett had a very nice Seneca field camera with case he found at Portland Show. Larry McMahon had a nice Leica copy and Ben Melton had several nice items. Four items all sold in auction.

**PROGRAM:**

Member Ed Smith gave a very nice informative program on camera repair; and the tools you need, and can make in many cases, to help save money.

**DOOR PRIZES:**

Won by Mike Langley and Ben Melton.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m. for swap and sell time.

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The following ad is from PSPCS member Morry Korman.

RETIRED FROM PHOTOGRAPHY: Hasselblad, White Lightning, Norman, Metz, backgrounds, meters, cases, posing seats, dissolve projection equipment, print display easels, Art Leather, and much more! Contact Morry (206) 641-9099 after 7 p.m.

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Don't forget Victoria, B.C. Seventh Annual Camera & Photographic Swap Meet on Sunday, May 8th. Ten to four at Esquimalt Recreation Center, 527 Fraser St. For info. call PSPCS member Mike Symons (604) 477-1867.



**\*\*WHAT OTHERS HAVE TO SAY\*\***

The following is reprinted from the March, The Photographic Historical Society Newsletter, Rochester, N.Y. with thanks to editor Joe A. Bailey.

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**Did you Know?...**

*That-* Members of the **Leica Historical Society of America** members are being offered a "Rare Collector Opportunity" in the form of a Silver Anniversary (of the society) Leica M6 Commemorative Set. In addition to the camera, which is suitably engraved with the LHSA logo and the dates 1968-1993, the set includes three silver Summicron lenses (35, 50 and 90mm) all specially engraved as anniversary models. The serial numbers and special edition numbers of the cameras are engraved on the hotshoe; a metal body cap includes the club logo. The set is housed in a cherry wood display case with red silk lining. A certificate of authenticity in three languages, signed by Werner Simon, Chairman of the Leica Group, Solm, Germany and Roger Horn, President of Leica Camera Inc., Northvale, N.J. completes the package. Only 149 sets are offered through October 29, 1994, unless the maximum number are sold before then. A non-refundable deposit of \$500 must be sent to the LHSA secretary/treasurer. After membership verification, the order is forwarded to your local Leica dealer who arranges to complete the sale. If any lens is not available at the time of shipment you won't have to pay for it before you get it. Serial numbers will be assigned at random by Leica's CPA firm. This is the first collector set to include three lenses. The brochure points out that two other collector edition cameras, the Colombo '92 Leica M6, of which 200 were made, now sells for \$12,000 and the 1993 Year of the Rooster Leica M6 outfits made for the Schmidt Group which included a 50mm lens, now has an asking price of \$12,000. The price of the current model is \$7,995 in U.S. dollars drawn on a U.S. bank. If you have questions contact LHSA president Sidney Gamsu, P.O. Box 122 Dayton, Ohio 45405-0122 (513) 275-7718, before 9:00 pm EST or Fax (513) 275-7799.

**Freebies...**

A brochure with prices and how to measure for your new bellows is available from **Universal Bellows Co., Inc.** 25 Hanse Avenue, Freeport, N.Y. 11520, (516) 378-1264, FAX# (516) 767-7387. The company makes, both standard and custom bellows.

Get two **free** rolls of **Seattle Film Works** film (made by AGFA), one 200 and one 400 speed, by having a friend who has used their services request it. You can probably get the same results by writing direct. Address: Seattle Film Works 1260 16th Avenue West, Seattle, WA 98119

**Kodak** is rebating \$2 for 3 proofs of purchase from **Kodak film**. Limit \$4. You can elect to have your rebate donated to the U.S. Olympic Team. Pick up rebate forms at retailers. Offer ends April 30. There is also a \$2 on 3 **Kodak Videotape** cassettes rebate. Offer ends December 31, 1994.

